

RACIAL PROFILING DATA/2001

Agency: St. Louis County Police Dept.

Population: 790,046

age 16 and over

KEY INDICATORS	Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian	Am. Indian	Other
Stops	62102	45340	15217	490	490	32	533
Searches	6881	4305	2460	75	16	4	21
Arrests	3910	2333	1536	21	7	2	11
Statewide population %	N/A	85.24	10.25	1.85	1.17	0.41	1.08
Local population %	N/A	78.14	17.25	1.29	2.25	0.15	0.93
Disparity index	N/A	0.93	1.42	0.61	0.35	0.34	0.92
Search rate	11.08	9.49	16.17	15.31	3.27	12.50	3.94
Contraband hit rate	16.45	18.75	12.76	9.33	6.25	25.00	9.52
Arrest rate	6.30	5.15	10.09	4.29	1.43	6.25	2.06

Notes: Population figures are from the 2000 Census for persons 16 years of age and older who designated a single race. Hispanics may be of any race. Other includes persons of mixed race and unknown race.

Disparity index = (proportion of stops / proportion of population). A value of 1 represents no disparity; values greater than 1 indicate over-representation, values less than 1 indicate under-representation.

Search rate = (searches / stops) X 100.

Contraband hit rate = (searches with contraband found / total searches) X 100.

Arrest rate = (arrests / stops) X 100.

#Error indicates zero denominator.

TRAFFIC STOP STATS		Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian	Am. Indian	Other
Violation leading to stop	Moving	36406	29159	6299	275	310	16	347
	Equipment	10950	7466	3203	91	84	9	97
	License	15787	9188	6256	132	108	8	95
Stop outcome	Citation	39841	28698	10208	276	299	15	345
	Warning	20928	15714	4616	208	189	16	185
Location of stop	Interstate hwy	6698	5373	1155	81	37	5	47
	US hwy	744	600	113	6	17	1	7
	State hwy	23898	18446	4822	202	189	11	228
	County road	24074	15722	7778	157	194	12	211
	City street	5536	4388	1049	35	35	3	26
	Other	1152	811	300	9	18	0	14
Driver gender	Male	42318	30834	10304	428	324	20	408
	Female	19784	14506	4913	62	166	12	125
Driver age	17 and under	6390	5347	935	23	43	1	41
	18-29	28735	20134	7843	286	225	13	234
	30-39	13584	9601	3582	124	116	14	147
	40 and over	13393	10258	2857	57	106	4	111

SEARCH STATS		Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian	Am. Indian	Other
Probable cause/ authority to search	Consent	3064	2116	881	46	10	3	8
	Inventory	122	57	60	4	1	0	0
	Drug/alcohol odor	686	460	212	10	1	0	3
	Incident to arrest	2618	1359	1232	11	5	0	11
	Plain view contraband	281	207	71	2	0	0	1
	Reasonable suspicion-weapon	396	197	187	9	0	0	3
	Drug-dog alert	24	19	5	0	0	0	0
	Other	119	67	51	1	0	0	0
What searched	Driver	3722	2017	1657	27	6	1	14
	Car/property	5708	3644	1970	63	13	4	14
Search duration	0-15 minutes	6731	4213	2409	66	19	4	20
	16-30 minutes	198	119	69	7	1	0	2
	31+ minutes	18	11	6	1	0	0	0
Contra-band found	Drugs/alcohol	952	662	280	5	1	1	3
	Currency	11	5	5	1	0	0	0
	Weapon	73	42	31	0	0	0	0
	Stolen property	55	27	28	0	0	0	0
	Other	180	155	22	3	0	0	0
Arrest charge	Outstanding warrant	2585	1234	1321	9	6	2	13
	Drug violation	452	300	149	2	0	0	1
	Resist arrest	13	4	9	0	0	0	0
	Offense against person	26	18	7	0	1	0	0
	DWI/BAC	499	446	42	9	1	0	1
	Property offense	142	95	45	1	1	0	0
	Other	786	508	266	7	2	0	3

Agency response

While the data compiled in this report is informative, any conclusions drawn from the data must be tempered with common sense. For example, population data used to calculate the disparity index does not include members of the minority community that reside in the city of St. Louis and therefore, increases the diversity of drivers on the roads within St. Louis County. Nor does the data reflect that in a majority of traffic stops, police officers do not know the race of the driver prior to initiating the traffic stop. The St. Louis County Police Department has a long standing policy prohibiting all investigative detentions, traffic stops, arrests, searches or seizures of property based solely on race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, religious belief, disability or economic level. All commissioned officers have participated in cultural diversity and sensitivity training and specialized training which prohibits the illegal practice of racial profiling. The St. Louis County Police Department will continue to gather and monitor the data required in this report to ensure our officers continue to respect the rights of every individual.